

Bell companies operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning will stimulate competition and be of benefit to the consumers. To not do so would cripple the '96 Telecom Act. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.

That this issue is up for debate really disturbs me - it seems to me the decision here is an obvious one. What concerns me even more, is that the people deciding this issue are allowing themselves to be subject to persuasion from the 'BIG BUSINESS' and that it is apparently working, since here we are now in threat of losing our freedoms and forced to fight against the 'BIG BUSINESS' yet again.